

RESOLUTION NO. ____59____ - 2006

INTRODUCED BY: Planning and Development Committee

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To eliminate 3 inactive Scheduled Part-Time Dam Operator positions effective December 31, 2006 and create a Resource Conservationist, Regular Full-Time (Salary Exempt) position effective January 1, 2007.

FISCAL NOTE: No increase to the tax levy will occur. Funding needed for the Resource Conservationist position is approximately \$53,765 of which 50% will be paid for by Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection grant.

WHEREAS: The reorganization of the Land and Water Conservation Department will allow the department to meet state mandates and generate revenue by charging fees for engineering designs to address Shoreland Protection Ordinance Violations, Shoreland Special Exemptions and Animal Waste Storage Ordinance Violations; and

WHEREAS: Wisconsin State Law, Chapter 92 declares it to be the policy of the state to halt and reverse the depletion of the state's soil resources and pollution of its waters; and

WHEREAS: Wisconsin State Law, ATCP 50.10 states every county land conservation committee shall establish and maintain county soil and water conservation program; and

WHEREAS: One of the primary duties of the Resource Conservationist will be to protect and improve water quality and reduce soil erosion by administering and providing technical assistance for the state mandated Adams Soil and Water Resource Management Program which provides financial assistance to landowners to install best management practices; and

WHEREAS: One of the primary duties of the Resource Conservationist will be to protect and improve water quality and reduce soil erosion by administering and providing technical assistance for the state mandated Farmland Preservation Program which provides financial tax breaks to landowners who implement conservation plans; and

WHEREAS: Grant funding for staffing and operations received from the Department of Agricultural, Trade and Consumer Protection is based on meeting mandates within Wisconsin State Law, Chapter 92 and ATCP 50;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Adams County Board of Supervisors: to eliminate 3 inactive Scheduled Part-Time Dam Operator positions effective December 31, 2006 and create a Resource Conservationist, Regular Full-Time (Salary Exempt) position effective January 1, 2007, Grade 11, step 1. The Resource Conservationist position will exist as long as grant monies are available to fund a minimum of 50% of the position.

Submitted this ____ day of _____, 2006

Adopted _____

Defeated _____

By the Adams County Board of Supervisors this ____ day of _____, 2006

County Clerk

County Board Chair